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25X1 1. [] Jim Gehrig, in the office of Senator Stuart
25X1 Symington, called to say that the Senator had prepared a reply to the
letter forwarded from [] from the [] whom
the Senator had met on his recent trip. The Senator's reply has been
picked up and forwarded to [] for transmittal to
the field. 25X1

25X1 2. [] Delivered to the staffs of the House
Armed Services Committee, the House and Senate Appropriations Com-
mittees and the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy Mr. McCone's letters
suggesting that he get together with these groups at their earliest
convenience.

In my chat with Bob Smart, House Armed Services Committee
staff, he informed me that Chairman Vinson has decided to appoint himself
chairman of the CIA Subcommittee. Smart said that while the Chairman
as well as the ranking Minority Leader were ex officio members of all
subcommittees, Mr. Vinson made it a policy not to sit in on Subcommittee
hearings. He felt that his presence might give the Subcommittee chairman
the feeling that Vinson was looking over his shoulder. Smart said it was
difficult for him to brief Chairman Vinson on all that transpired at CIA
hearings and that for these reasons Mr. Vinson has decided to take the
post himself. Smart said he assumed we would be pleased with this
information and I indicated that indeed we were.

25X1 3. [] Delivered to Jim McKenna, in
the office of Senator John G. Pastore (D., R.I.), Mr. Warner's letter
25X1 replying to one from the Senator concerning the case of []
McKenna said the letter was precisely what they needed and he appreciated
our promptness in handling the matter. He added that if he could be of
any assistance to us in the future, he would be glad to do so.